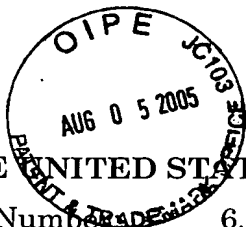


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The nature of the errors is as follows. The Notice of Allowability (Exhibit A) is responsive to the Preliminary Amendment filed October 12, 2004 (paragraph 1) and the allowed claims are 1-32 (paragraph 2).

However, the issued patent does not reflect the Preliminary Amendment filed October 12, 2004 and was issued with only 24 claims. For the Office's convenience, a copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed October 12, 2004 is enclosed as Exhibit B.

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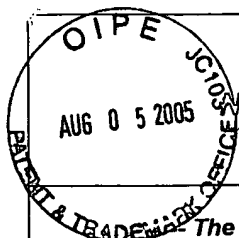
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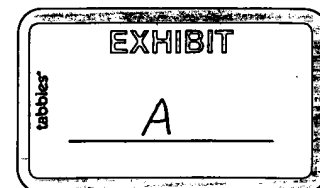
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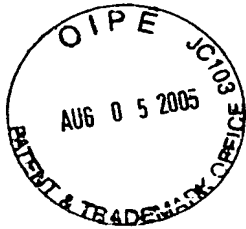
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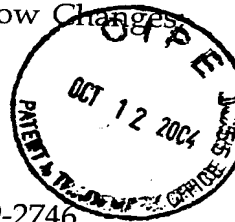
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